

EXECUTION DATES SET FOR SEVEN IN THE STATE PRISON

INCLUDES J. T. HARRIS

Harry Caldwell Will Die Oct. 31, Jess Foster Nov. 10. Governor Morrison Says Hearings Will Be Granted All Who Make Application for Them.

Asheville, July 27.—Governor Morrison has announced the dates for the execution of seven North Carolina men under death sentence, including that of J. T. Harris, Ridgecrest merchant fixed for Oct. 20. Harris, convicted of murdering S. W. Monniss, an Alabama visitor, recently made application for a hearing and Governor Morrison said he expected to designate a time for the hearing soon.

Frank Henderson of Madison is to be executed Monday, Oct. 10. Henderson was convicted of murdering his wife. Attorneys have appealed to the governor for a hearing for him. Others to be executed are:

Doll Little of Anson county, Sept. 29; Harry Caldwell, Wayne county, Oct. 31; Jess Foster, Wayne county, Nov. 10; W. Y. Westmoreland, Iredell, Nov. 21; Claude Morehead, Guilford, Nov. 30. The governor said hearings would be granted all who made applications for same.

WRECK BLOCKS THE COAST LINE TRACK

Nineteen Cars Derailed This Morning. Conductor is Slightly Injured.

Nineteen cars of southbound Southern Railway Extra freight train No. 4580 were derailed at 6:30 this morning on the Atlantic Coast Line track about three quarters of a mile south of the local Coast Line station and just south of the Norfolk and Southern tracks. Traffic on the northbound track of the Coast Line was resumed shortly after noon. The southbound track will be cleared sometime this afternoon.

The cause of the wreck is believed to have been a broken arch on a car. Capt. Seaborn, conductor in charge of the train suffered cuts and bruises of a minor nature. He was riding in the caboose and received a severe jolt when the cars left the track.

No other members of the train crew were injured. Of the 19 cars leaving the track only seven turned over.

The Southern Railway habitually uses the Coast Line tracks between Selma and Pinner's Point for freight traffic.

JUDGE ADVISES HUSBANDS TO ENTERTAIN THEIR WIVES

Chicago, July 28.—Unique admonitions to husbands, wives and sweethearts were extended by Judge Joseph Sabath, of the Superior Court, when he told of having disposed of 2,000 cases in the last ten months.

Judge Sabath said he found that women outnumbered men almost two to one in applications for the dissolution of their marital bonds.

Prohibition, he declared had not shown any tendency to decrease the number of divorces. He advocated the publishing of the names of those who desire to marry, thirty days before a license is issued.

The following were among his suggestions to secure happiness: "Every man should see that his wife has plenty of entertainment, take her to the movies, auto rides, theatres, as often as you can afford to. Go swimming with her if she likes it."

"A husband should confide his business affairs to his wife and she should take an interest in them. Have children."

WAY SEEMS CLEAR FOR A CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

JAPAN HAS ACCEPTED

Little Difficulty is Expected in Reaching an Agreement on the Place for the Meeting, Difference of Opinion as to the Time, U. S. Wants Nov. 11.

Washington, July 28.—The way is regarded as opened today for the beginning of negotiations between the United States and other principal allied or associated powers as to the date and meeting place of the proposed conference on disarmament.

Definite acceptance by Japan of a seat in the conference announced in a note from Tokio made public yesterday by the state department completed the second step in the movement to secure limitation of international armament by agreement the first step having been President Harding's informal overtures on the question.

Little difficulty is expected in reaching an agreement on the place for the meeting, no decided opposition having developed to the suggestion that the conference be held in Washington.

Difference of opinion however as to time of the conference is known to exist among interested nations. The American government has mentioned Nov. 11—armistice day. Premier of the Dominion however are understood to have urged a later date because of meetings at home.

"Know each other well, before marriage."

"Realize the responsibility of the marriage relations, bear and forebear."

"Move away from each other's families. Don't live with them."

"It is better to live in a simple little haven alone than in a place with the members of the families of either one."

In the divorce cases disposed of before Judge Sabath, 1,456 were filed by women, as compared with 544 by men. Among the causes, desertion was put forward in 975 cases adultery in 207 and intoxication in 201. The annulments numbered 135.

For North Carolina, Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; probably showers near the coast; gentle to moderate southerly winds.

FIRE LAST NIGHT AT OCEAN VIEW

Two Clubs and Six Cottages Destroyed, Only One Man Injured.

Norfolk, Va., July 28.—Half a hundred men, women and children were driven from their beds at Ocean View last night when fire destroyed two clubs and six cottages. Several persons escaped death by jumping from second story windows and one man was injured. The sand about the cottages saved others from more or less serious injury. The property loss is estimated at \$150,000 and is only partially covered by insurance.

J. B. Griswold was severely cut about the chin and face when he jumped from the second story of his cottage.

The fire started in the Shamrock Club, a social organization, and the building was in flames when discovered. It spread rapidly to the cottages on the boulevard driving inmates out in the street.

The clubs and cottages destroyed were: The Shamrock Club, the Beacon club, owned by C. M. Mumford, and Cottages owned by L. C. Jones, W. L. Prieur, J. B. Griswold, A. D. Lapcini, H. W. Church and Walter Pentress.

ANOTHER MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT WHITE HOUSE

DINNER MEETING TONIGHT

Furtherance of the Legislative Program Understood to Have Been Agreed Upon by the Senators at a White House Meeting Recently Will Be Discussed it is Believed.

Washington, July 28.—Another white house dinner conference will be held tonight between President Harding and about a dozen Republican House leaders in furtherance of the legislative program understood to have been agreed upon by Senators who dined recently at the White House.

Definite arrangements of the house program to fit in with the administration's plan especially as to the tax revision bill is expected to result from the conference tonight.

President Harding was said to have informed senators with whom he conferred that he was assured by house leaders of the speedy passage of the tax measure. The administration's plan as disclosed after the white house conference calls for passage of the measure by the House by August 6. With the tariff bill to be held in consideration by the finance committee while it takes up the revenue bill it is planned that Congress recess or adjourn probably the second week in August until late in September or early in October.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GAINS OVER FIFTY-FIVE HUNDRED

New York, July 27.—The Presbyterian church in this country gained 55,456 communicants last year and now has a total membership of 1,692,558 it is announced. The Sunday school membership is 1,433,292. Total contributions to missions, education and benevolences are \$42,306,42.

During the year 63,386 members were dismissed, death took 19,056 from the rolls and 61,157 were suspended.

POURED TURPENTINE ON HIS BROTHER

Detroit, July 28.—Herman Schmanski, 60 years old, died in a hospital here this morning from burns which he said were caused when his brother threw turpentine over him and lighted a match. The brother is being held by authorities.

According to Herman Schmanski's statement a quarrel followed his refusal to lend his brother money. The brothers had been business partners for 35 years.

MARKETS

COTTON

New York, July 28.—Easier cables favorable weather and southern warehouse selling caused moderate weakness in the cotton market today. The market soon sold 23 to 24 points under yesterday closing Oct. going to 11.88; Dec. to 12.32. New Orleans houses were free sellers here shortly after the opening.

New York, July 27.—Cotton futures opened steady: Oct. 12.00; Dec. 12.43; Jan. 12.45; March 12.78; May 12.83.

The market at noon was as follows: Jan. 12.42; March 12.75; May 12.80; Oct. 11.97; Dec. 12.42.

The market closed at three p. m. as follows: Jan. 12.40, March 12.76, May 12.88, Oct. 11.95, Dec. 12.40. Wilson spot market 10c.

STOCKS

New York, July 28.—A five point rally in United Drug and an 8 point decline in Pressed Steel car were features of the opening of today's stock. The rally in United Drug was short lived however soon reacting several points. Oils, Motors Motion Picture shares became unsettled at reaction of 1 to 2 points.

ECONOMY DRIVE IS BEST WAY TO HAVE REDUCTION IN TAX

NO HEADWAY IN DRIVE

Principles in the Tax Program Call for a Repeal of the Excess Profits Tax, Return to Three Cent Postage, a Cutting Down of the Large Sur-taxes, and a Sales Tax.

(By David Lawrence).
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Washington, July 27.—Tax programs are like time-tables subject to change without notice. But certain principles have been agreed upon by President Harding and Administration leaders which can be of some guidance to tax payers. Those principles as explained at the White House do not necessarily commit the Administration to a cut and dried procedure which will prevent a change of mind. In other words nothing is final until it is actually in the bill that passes both houses but so far as anyone can foresee, indeed the best judgment that can be marshalled at present, leads to the following conclusions:

First, the excess profits tax must be repealed. This action will be taken not merely because the revenue from excess profits has diminished to such an extent that it compares unfavorably with the immense amount of damage done to business as a whole through the restraints placed upon individual enterprise, initiative and expansion.

Second, the return to 3-cent postage for first class mail. This step is to be taken reluctantly by the Republican Administration for the shrewd Albert Sidney Burleson, postmaster general under the Democratic Administration, took off the extra cent and the fear is that Democratic campaign orators will point to the extra postage as a sign that the poor man's burdens have not been decreased but increased. Nevertheless the 3-cent tax is favored as a great revenue producer and as the best means of getting better postal service. Will Hays, the new postmaster general, is trying to produce an efficient postal service and is making good headway. He finds it necessary to spend money to get efficiency. He has been told by business men to go ahead and incur a deficit but deliver the mail on time. So the price of efficiency is an extra cent on postage. The general opinion is that the stamp tax will hardly be felt.

Third, a cutting down of the large surtaxes. The hardest thing in the world to explain to the average tax payer is the why and the wherefore of a surtax. The income tax blanks give no inkling as to how the scientific tax experts devised it and the tax payer doesn't see any particular scheme of percentages behind it. The large surtaxes have however operated like the excess profits taxes to destroy initiative at the very time when men of capital should be using it to promote American enterprises, giving employment to the unemployed and starting the wheels of business and industry on the road to sound and uninfated prosperity. That there will be a diminution of large surtaxes can be taken for granted.

Fourth, all the schemes for sales tax, turn-over tax, production tax or consumer's tax will go by the boards. That's the trend at present. The Administration has listened to all the various plans proposed and attempted to find one that wouldn't increase the burden on the ultimate consumer. The suspicion exists that the idea is uneconomic and leads in the end to double taxation. This is stoutly denied but the truth is that the Administration hasn't been convinced and the tendency is to forget these various sales and consumers taxes and try to raise money by other means.

President Harding himself has told (Continued on Page 3.)

DECLARE TERRIBLE CONDITIONS EXIST AT VETERANS' HOME

ONE HOME "MAD HOUSE"

The Director of War Risk Insurance Would Have Fuller Powers Given That Conditions May be Corrected. Fort McHenry is Declared Un-sanitary.

Washington, July 28.—The Johnson City Tenn. old soldier's home was declared a "mad house" and Fort McHenry, Md., hospital described is fit only for a sewerage disposal plant by Col. Chas. R. Forbes, war risk insurance director, before a state committee in a plea for broader powers to meet the conditions.

Conditions at the Johnson City home he asserted were deplorable in countless aspects. He said whiskey was sold among the men quartered there and the war risk insurance board was powerless to correct the evils.

"Gun toting" was declared by the insurance head to be common and he added "when patients take attendants and throw them out something is radically wrong." He said there was an entire lack of discipline at the home and urged that legislation be enacted which will place all institutions in which ex-soldiers are quartered under direct control of the federal government.

As for the Fort McHenry hospital Col. Forbes did not complain about the management or treatment there confining his criticism to physical conditions.

EDITORS HAVING GREAT TIME ON THE COAST

Morehead City, July 27.—Addresses by President J. F. Hurley, Josephus Daniels and Sanford Martin featured the second day's session of the State Press Association which convened here last night with addresses of welcome. Demonstrations off shore by the United States coast guard service crew attracted interest. The program was moving along rapidly this forenoon. Southern Pines, Shelby and Hickory are bidding for next summer's convention. Winston-Salem will likely get the mid winter meeting.

REPUBLICANS ARE ARRANGING PLANS

Will Consider the Agricultural Credit and the Anti-Beer Bill.

Washington, July 28.—Preceding President Harding's conference tonight at a white house dinner Republican leaders in the senate Republican steering committee formally ratified part of the legislative program mapped out at the dinner given Republican senators at the white house recently.

That the Capper-Tinchor bill for government regulations of future trading on grain exchanges should follow Senate discussion of the pending agricultural credit and anti-beer bill was decided by Republican managers.

Their action will probably be made a party measure to be considered before the recess of Congress.

No action regarding recess plans was taken by the steering committee nor practically any action on the anti-beer bill. The latter it was said was not considered a party measure, but law to be passed after the agricultural legislation.

The committee also deferred action on the matter of enacting tax revision ahead of the tariff bill. Neither is actually before the senate and the steering committee was said to take the position it had no present jurisdiction.

SHIPPING BOARD DEFENDS INTEREST IN EGYPTIAN PORT

WANTS FAIR TREATMENT

Advices from Alexandria Assert Unfair Measures Have Been Employed There by Competitors of the American Shipping Board to Secure Contracts.

London, July 27.—The United States shipping board, it was learned here today has delivered an ultimatum to the shipping lines unless ship companies are accorded fair treatment on contracts for transportation of cotton from Alexandria to the United Kingdom and the United States, the United States Shipping Board will declare an open market and haul anything anywhere at any rate.

The board also revoked the radical measures embodied in the Jones shipping act in which ships owned by unfair competitors may be accorded contracts.

A London dispatch is quoted as saying representatives of the United States Shipping board there had decided to break off negotiations with Liverpool shipping agents because of methods used in securing contracts for shipping cotton.

The advices said America intended to adopt protective measures, declaring intimidating measures had been used in securing freight and alleged shipments were assigned British ships even when American bids were materially lower.

W. A. LUCAS GIVEN KIWANIS HONORS

Has Been Appointed Lieutenant Governor of the Carolinas Kiwanis District.

Mr. William A. Lucas of this city, President of the local Kiwanis Club, has been appointed Lieutenant Governor of the Carolinas Kiwanis District by District Governor Thomas Arnold.

This Kiwanis honor conferred upon Mr. Lucas is a most deserving one. In the administration of the affairs of his home club of which he is president, and the interest he has taken in district affairs in general, he stands out as one of the leaders of Kiwanis.

The Carolinas Kiwanis District, composed of the two states, North and South Carolina has had, and is having, rapid growth. The District is only two years old, and it now has thirty clubs completed, the newly organized Kinston club receiving its charter tonight.

Mr. Lucas will have supervision of all clubs in Eastern North Carolina, while Mr. W. B. Merrimon, also a lieutenant governor of Kiwanis who lives at Greensboro, has supervision over the western district.

NATIONALISTS TO EVACUATE.

London, July 28.—The Turkish Nationalists have decided to evacuate the Ismad Peninsula says an exchange dispatch from Constantinople owing to the direction of Adabazar at the base of the peninsula which lies to the east of Constantinople between the sea of Mamora and the Black Sea.

NEWSPAPER MEN TALK THINGS OVER.

Washington, July 28.—Viscount Northcliffe spent an hour and twenty minutes with President Harding and insisted vehemently afterward the conversation was an exchange of views between newspaper publishers. "We talked newspapers" he said over and over when an attempt was made to draw him out concerning his visit.